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# OHIO

## WEEKLY CROP - PROGRESS SUMMARY

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### OHIO CROP-WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS

The average temperature for the state was 64.9 degrees, 6.7 degrees below normal for the week ending Sunday, July 8. Precipitation averaged 1.06 inches, this is 0.23 inches above the normal level. The Southwest district received the most precipitation with 1.52 inches, while the North Central district only received 0.49 inches. Growing degree days were 51 days below normal.

Reporters rated 5.1 days suitable for fieldwork during the seven day period ending Friday, July 6. This is 1.1 days more than last year and 0.4 days less than the 1996-00 average. Topsoil moisture was rated 2 percent very short, 18 percent short, 76 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus.

#### Days Suitable

	Current week	Previous week	Since 1 <sup>st</sup> week of April
2001	5.1	6.5	56.1
2000	4.0	4.1	52.1
1996-2000 Average	5.5	4.9	57.8

#### Topsoil Moisture

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Current Week	2	18	76	4
Last Week	1	23	72	4
Same Week Last Year	0	2	71	27
1996-2000 Average	11	22	56	12

### FIELD ACTIVITIES AND CROP PROGRESS WEEK ENDING SUNDAY JULY 8

Reporters estimated the **Winter Wheat** crop is 85 percent ripe. This is five days behind last year and six days ahead of the 1996-00 average. Twenty-one percent of the Winter wheat crop has been harvested. This is six days behind last year and three days behind the 1996-00 average. Respondents estimate that 99 percent of **Oats** have headed. This is five days ahead of last year and three days ahead of the 1996-00 average. Oats are 15 percent ripe. This is two days behind last year and the 1996-00 average. The average corn development stage for the state is 11-12 leaves fully emerged. Respondents estimate that three percent of the

**Corn** has silked. This is three days behind last year and one day behind the 1996-200 average. Forty-three percent of the **Soybean** crop has bloomed. This is five days ahead of 2000 and nine days ahead of the 1996-2000 average. Three percent of the soybeans are setting pods. This is on schedule with last year and two days ahead of the 1996-2000 average. **Alfalfa hay** first cutting is 99 percent complete. This is three days ahead of last year and on schedule with the 1996-00 average. Alfalfa hay second cutting is 25 percent complete. This is five days behind last year and three days behind the 1996-00 average. **Other Hay** first cutting is 96 percent complete this is 11 days ahead of last year and four days ahead of the 1996-00 average. Other hay second cutting at 15 percent complete is one day behind last year and two days behind the five-year average. **Strawberries** are 99 percent harvested, this is six days behind last year and five days ahead of the 1996-00 average. **Summer apples** are six percent harvested. **Peaches** are five percent harvested. **Cucumbers** are 94 percent harvested, this is three days behind last year.

Activities throughout the state include harvesting wheat, rye, and barley, mowing ditches and feedlots, applying nitrogen, fungicides, and herbicides, planting double crop soybeans, baling hay and straw, chopping hay silage, cultivating corn and tobacco, repairing equipment and buildings, hauling grain, scouting fields for insects and diseases, shearing Christmas trees, planting peppers, cucumbers and pumpkins, picking strawberries, apples, blueberries, peaches, and raspberries, harvesting sweetcorn and other vegetables.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS

Reported insects included leafhoppers, army worms, potato bugs, European Corn Borer, and Japanese beetles. Weeds are causing problems in hay, oats, and winter wheat crops. In Wayne County, there are reports of Canada thistle, ragweed, and ironweeds in soybean fields. Fruit and vegetable crops were reported in good condition throughout the state.

Reporters rated 76 percent of the winter wheat crop in good to excellent condition. Pastures were rated 70 percent in good to excellent condition. The corn crop is 73 percent in good to excellent condition. Soybeans are rated 62 percent in good to excellent condition.

Livestock conditions are mostly in the good to excellent range. Heat, humidity, face flies, horse flies, and mosquitos contributed to livestock stress throughout the state.

### PERCENT PROGRESS OF CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY JULY 8

Crop	2001	2000	1996-00 Average	Previous Week	
				Ohio	U.S.
Alfalfa hay 1 <sup>st</sup> cutting	99	97	99	97	NA
Alfalfa hay 2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting	25	36	32	16	NA
Corn silked	3	6	3	1	8
Cucumbers planted	94	98	NA	85	NA
Oats headed	99	97	97	91	53
Oats ripe	15	19	20	4	NA
Other hay 1 <sup>st</sup> cutting	96	92	93	93	NA
Other hay 2 <sup>st</sup> cutting	15	16	17	6	NA
Peaches harvested	5	NA	NA	NA	NA
Soybeans bloomed	43	31	19	12	12
Soybeans setting pods	3	3	2	NA	NA
Strawberries harvested	99	100	95	92	NA
Summer apples harvested	6	NA	NA	NA	NA
Winter Wheat harvested	21	59	37	3	55
Winter Wheat ripe	85	95	73	24	NA

PERCENT CONDITION OF MAJOR CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY JULY 8

CORN	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	1	4	22	58	15
Previous Week	1	5	23	55	16
Previous Year	3	6	19	45	27
HAY					
Current Week	1	6	24	57	12
Previous Week	1	8	30	52	9
Previous Year	4	7	26	49	14
OATS					
Current Week	1	5	22	64	8
Previous Week	1	3	24	63	9
Previous Year	0	4	25	60	11
PASTURE					
Current Week	1	6	23	58	12
Previous Week	1	4	24	58	13
Previous Year	1	5	24	54	16
SOYBEANS					
Current Week	2	7	29	51	11
Previous Week	3	9	30	48	10
Previous Year	6	13	31	40	10
WINTER WHEAT					
Current Week	1	4	19	58	18
Previous Week	1	5	22	56	16
Previous Year	0	3	17	52	28

WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY JULY 8

Region	Temperature		Precipitation				Growing Degree Days <sup>1/</sup>			
	Last Week	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.
Northwest	65.7	-6.1	0.62	-0.18	13.01	1.75	113	-35	1354	68
North Central	64.5	-6.7	0.49	-0.37	10.23	-1.42	91	-54	1292	47
Northeast	62.8	-6.5	0.55	-0.26	9.11	-2.69	86	-49	1189	9
West Central	65.3	-7.0	1.51	0.74	15.29	3.00	98	-54	1428	81
Central	65.2	-6.9	1.06	0.31	14.16	1.63	97	-54	1440	72
Central Hills	63.8	-6.5	0.76	-0.13	11.87	-0.51	88	-52	1288	39
Northeast Hills	63.0	-7.4	1.16	0.29	11.69	-0.48	86	-55	1273	-3
Southwest	66.3	-7.0	1.52	0.67	15.34	2.34	104	-54	1509	61
South Central	66.5	-6.3	1.19	0.32	15.15	2.84	104	-51	1539	66
Southeast	64.7	-6.8	1.40	0.54	14.22	1.84	93	-54	1409	31
STATE	64.9	-6.7	1.06	0.23	13.23	1.04	97	-51	1383	49

1/ Modified Growing degree days, base 50 - ceiling 86.

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